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History

Nong Bua Lamphu is a new province with an old background. Although recently established, its history goes back over 900 years . In the beginning it was a soverign town of Sri Satthana Khana Huth, or Vientiane

Circa 2117 B.E., King Naresuan Maharaj led his army to usurp Lan Chang Kingdom. En route, the King and his army took a hiastus in their march at Nong Bua Lamphu . Before he could have resumed, the King had taken ill with a poxvirus, and had to return to the capital. The area is considered an important site in Thai history.

During the reign of King Thonburi ,circa 2310 B.E., Phra Vor, Phra Tha . and their people, evaded Phra Chao Siri Muang khamuttha Saiya Buri Ram. Boon Sarn, a sovereign of Vientienne, phu remained deserted until King Nang Lamphu Theva Phiban, governor of Nongkhai, des- saw that Amphoe Nong Bua Lamphu, by ignated Phra Vitcha Yodhom Khamuttha itself, was large enough to decome a Khet to rebuild the town and renamed it



After Phraya Vitcha yodom, s and resettled at Nong Bua lamphu. Here, demise in 2449 B.E., King Chuia Chom Khai Phra Vor ,Phra Tha , a fortrees, was klao promoted Phra Vicharn Khamuttha Kith erected. (The evidence is revealed on the to a governor and gave the town back stone wall on mount Phu Phan). Later on, its old name-Nohg Bua - Lamphu . One an army from Vientienne came plundering year later, the government advanced the and left the town in ruins. Nong Bua lam- status of the town to District of Nong Bua



province. Amphoes Nong Bua Lamphu, plateau intermix with a mountain range to Na Klang, Nong Sang, Si Bun Ruang, and the east. A long range of forested moun-Suwannakhuha were excluded from Udon tain begins at Suwannakhuha District and Thani and reunited to form Nong Bua reaches beyond Muang District all the way Lamphu Province. The proclamation on 1 to the ranges of Phu Phan in Nong Sang December 1991 brought much happiness District. The area near Khon Khean is a to its citizens.

Geographic

Nong Bua Lamphu is located on a plateau of upper 1 - san. It is the 76th province of Thailand Its boundaries to Administration the north and east are contiguous with Udon Thani. The south and west border on Khon Kean and loei, respectively. It encompasses an area of about 3.859 km.

Generlal physiography is high

high plateau that gradually declines as it reaches Na Klang and Si Bun Ruang, s alluvial plains. The area is highly suitable for agriculture.

Nong Bua Lamphu divides its body of administration into 6 (districts) They are Muang. Nong Sang, Si Bun Ruang , Na Klang , Suwannakhuha, and Na Wana

Attractions

Wat Tham Khlong Paen

As one of the sacred sites in the province, the temple is well - known for its peaceful, forested surrounding. The cave in the temble ground contains an ancient two - faced drum, whence the temple got its name, and a statuesque Buddha image located in a rock alcove. The temple used to serve as a meditational ground a Luang phu khao (a highly revered vipassana monk of Luang phu Mun line) until his demise in 1989. A posthumous museum housing his personal belonging and lift-size wax figure is located on the premises. The museum opens daily to public for meritmaking and homage-paying.

Wat Tham Klong Paen is located in Muong District on High way 210 en route to Nong Bua Lamphu-Udon Thani. From the town, proceed in Udon Thani direction for about 13 km. Turn right into the temple s entrance and continue for about 2 km. The temple can also be reached by local buses running between Nong Bua Lamphu and Udon Thani.

The Shrine and Monument of king Narasuan the Grest

The monumental shrine was built to commemorate the great king on the event that he and his army, on the way to



Vientienne in 2117 B.E., had stopped by the town. Nong Bua Lampu was then a colony of Hongsawadi Kingdom; and Phra Naresuan journeyed to help King Hongsawadi fight with Sri Satthana Khana Huth (Vientiene), Unfortunately King Naresuan was consumed by dengue fever and consequently returned to Ayutthaya The monument is situated in Nong Bua Park in front of the district office. An homage-payJanuary.

Thao Tho Waterfall park.

route to Nong Bua Lamphu-Udon Thani local buses enroute to Nong Bua Lamphu -(approx. 3 km. from Udon Thani), the park is Loei. shrouded in lush vegetation with peppering Ancient Shell Deposit or Susarn Hoi of intriguing rock formations. Within the Lan Pi park's proximity is a shrine of Phu Loop,a Nong Bua Lamphu and other passers-by.

Pong, Khon Kaen province. Their very rock and other unidentified elements. unique technique in pottery making is the legacy of their forefathers.

Erawan Cave

statue presiding at its entrance can be seen reached by buses from Nong Bua from afar. The cave's interior resembles a Lamphu to Udon Thani. hall, whence the local folklore, Nang Phom Hom, or Fragrant -haired Lady, originated. The cave contains Magnificent stalagmite and stalactite formations. Erawan cave is located in Na Wang District on Nong Bua

ing ceremony is held annually on the 25 of Lamphu-Loei route (Highway 210) at Kiometres post 13. At approximately 45 Km from town, turn right and continue for about Located on Highway 210 en two Km. The cave can be reached by

The site is located on a mountain figure held in regards by the citizens of with a 50-meter-high cliff. The shell deposit dates back to late Jurassic periold, or about Ban Khong Sawan Pottey Village. 140-150 million years ago. The fossil Approximately 17 km from the remains are of various ammonites still in province towards Udon Thani (Highway great condition. Some are quiet and weigh 210), the whole village is exclusively into as much as half kilogram. Near the deposit pottery making. The villagers are descen- is found a fossilized remains of an ancient dants of Ban Wang Thua, Amphoe Nam crocodile. There were shards of Jamaican

Susarn Hoi Lan Pi is located at Ban Huai Dua, Tambol Non Than, Amphoe Muang. From the province, head on A large cave with a winding, spi- Highway 210 to Udon Thani. After about ralling staircase of 600 steps from the 10 km.turn left and continue for about ground the cave's opening. A big Buddha 500 metre. The site of the deposit can be

Archaeological Site at Ban Khud Kho Moei and Ban Khud Khwang Soi

These two sites are where the archaeological discoveries of objects were made. The artifacts unearthed are various objects art and pieces of pottery resembling the ones found at Ban Chiang excavation.

The routes to both sites are as follows

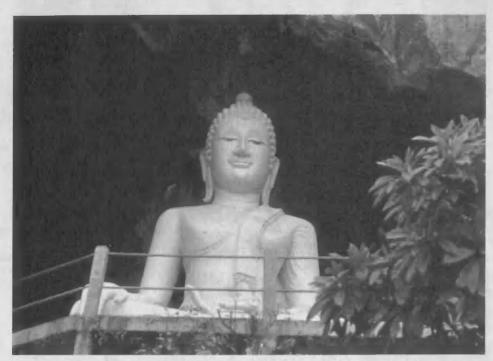
1. Ban Khud Kho Moei is located Tambol Khuddu, Non Sang District Proceed on Highway 2146 (Nong Bua Lamphu-Non Sang) for about 36 km to

Ban Nong Wang. Turn left and continue for about 5 km. The site is also accessible by Nong Bua Lamphu-Non Sang buses.

2. Ban Khud Khwang Soi is on the same route as Ban Khud Kho Moei. Upon arriving, make a right turn, at Ban Nong Wong and continue for about 7 km. Phu Khao and Phu Phan Kham National Parks

A mountain range stretching from north to south. Phu Khao separates Nong Bua LamPhu from Khon Kaen Province. Phu Phan Khom is the range visible to the east of Nam Pong plain. It offters breathtaking vista of Ubol Ratana Reservoir, To the back of the reservoir is a well-known fishery and fishing spot.





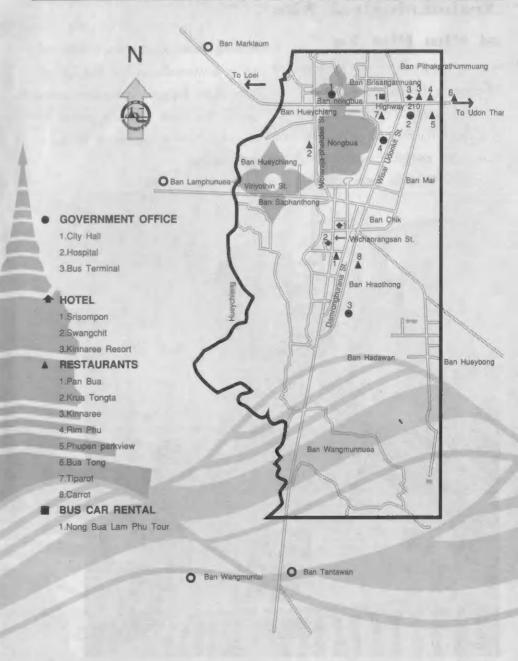
Phu Khao is a meandering, Ubol Ratana Dam route. labyrinthine mountain. It is home to a Tham Suwannakhuha cave plethora of plants and wildlife. It is also a Localted at Wat Thamkhuha, Ban showroom of many interesting rock forma- Khuha Pattana, Moo7, Tambol Na Dee. tions- some having prehistoric palm- paint- The Cave, s interior houses artifacts and a ings on them. In addition to the amazing plaster image of Lord Buddha in the natural treasures, there is Wat Phra Buddha meditation stance. Bata Phu Khao, the footprints evoked the The image, it is believed, was folklore Phra Suphrom Vimokha and the build in the period of Phra Chao Chaiya Nine-tailed Dog.

local buses running on Si Bun Ruang - Dong Yang Na Tha Laew School (about

Chettha Thiraj of Vientiene

To get there, take Highway 2146 To get there, take Highway 210 to the trisection of Ban Soke Cham. Turn en rout to Nong Bua Lamphy Wang Sa left onto Ban Soke Cham-Ubol Ratana Phung. Turn right at Hihaway 2097 junction Dam Road. The distance is about 54 km to and continue to Anphoe Suwannakhuha. park office. The park can be reached by From their, take Chaiya Chettha Road to

MAP NONG BUA LUM PHU



one km). Turn right and continue for ing is close to that of the painting also about 4 km.

Archaeological Site in Kwan Zhi China at Phu Pha Ya

Localted to the north of Ban Nacharoen, Tambol Dong Ma Fai, this limestone outcrop is not a mountain inclusive of the Phu Phan Range. Its cave con- Phu. Udon Thani is conveniently located on tains many prehistoric wall paintings. The the same route figures 2,000-3,000 years old. This dat-

closely resemble the paintings at Lai Cliff

To get there, take the same route to Tham Suwannakhuha After arriving in Suwannakhuha Ban Na Charoen buses .From this point, visitors can continue on Phu Phra Bate National park at Ban



Rafting in Huai Phu Government Sector Wang Reservori (area cord 042)

Indulge in the beautiful scenery Province amidst natural eavironment of Huai Pha Hospital Wang Reservoir. The unique feature of the Bus terminal raft is its pulley, which allows the float to Police Station Tell.0-4231-1054 pulled back and forth between islands. Amphoe Office Rafts with on-board food and drinks are Post Office available at low prices. Floatation devices. like life jackets and inner tubes are also available. The site is located in Amphoe Khinnaree Resort Na Wang on Highway 2(Nong Bua lamphu - Loei) From the province, the distance is about 45 km and two more kilometer after the left turn

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Amphoe Na Klang

From Bangkok to Nong Bua Lamphu

By car

From Bangkok , NongBua Lamphu can be reached via the following routes

1. Take Highway 1 (phaholyothin Rd) to Highway 2 (Friendship RD) to Nakhon Ratchasima - khon kean -Udon Thani turn left onto Highway 210, and head pass Amphoe Nong Wua Soa Udon Thani arriving at Nong Bua Lamphu. Tolal distance is 608 km.

2. Upon arriving khon kean, turn left onto Highway 2109 (Amphoe Nam pong Ubol Ratana Dam) and eater through Amphoe Nong Sang to reach Nong Bua Lamphu Total Distance is 559 km.

3. After Nakhon Ratchasima ,turn left toward Amphoes Phu Kheow . Chumphae, and Si Bun Ruang Follow Highway 228 until arriving at Nong Bua Lamphu . Total distance is584 km.

Local bus

Buses leave from the Northeast Terminal on Kham Phang Phet 2 for Nong Bua Lamphu Several time a day there are different lines to choose from they are.

Bangkok - Chaiyaphum - Chumphae- Chumphu-Si Bun Ruang -Nong Bua Lamphu .(normal and air - conditioned)

Bangkok - Nomg Bua Lamphu -Si chaingmai (Normal and air conditioned) Bangkok - Nong Bua Lamphu (Normal - and air - conditioned) By rail

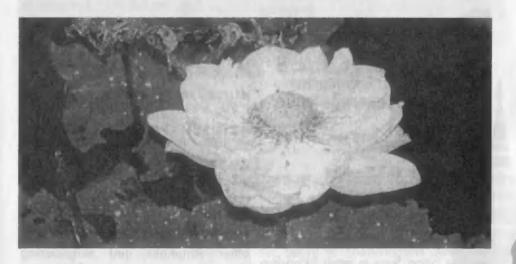
Take the rail line that goes to Udon than i. or Nongkhai, then continue to Nong E a Lamphu by local buses.

By plane

Travelers must fly to udon Thani Airport then continue the journey by local transportation

Note: There are two - benched pick-up trucks offering runs around the city, and local buses providing service to other Amphoes and neighboring provinces.





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